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25X1 1. [] Robert Neal, Senate Preparedness
Investigating Subcommittee staff, telephoned referring to the English-Russian
25X1 military dictionary which had been brought up by the staff in the meeting
with Staerts and [] He stated it was edited by Lt. Col. G. A.
Sudakovskii in 1960 and was put out in Moscow. He states the Library
of Congress has a copy. Neal added that if we looked into this and had
any opinion or analysis, they would like to know the results.

25X1 2. [] Met with Stanley Pleasant, General
Counsel, USIA, to inform him that in the next day or so we plan to return
to Representative Zablocki a manuscript of a book prepared by an individual
residing in Poland. We are going to advise Zablocki that while at first
glance the book had appeared useful, full investigation had indicated it
would not serve any useful purpose for the Agency. Advised Pleasant that
I wanted him to be aware of this since it was my understanding that this
manuscript had been placed in Zablocki's hands by []
25X1 [] I indicated I was not aware how the manuscript came
25X1 into [] hands. Mr. Pleasant was grateful for the information.

25X1 3. [] Pleasant, on his initiative, raised the
25X1 case of [] I received a clear impression that Pleasant felt
possibly USIA had gone too far in pushing this matter with the Agency. I
explained our actions on the case with Senator Hayden's office and with
Congressman Udell, indicating that we had closed the case from our
viewpoint but referred it to GAO with the conflicting lawyers' opinions
for such action as GAO deemed appropriate. Pleasant indicated he would
like possibly to erase a black mark and queried whether there was any
room left at this stage for possible compromise and settlement. Without
further comment I merely indicated that we would be glad to hear any
further suggestions but I did not know what could be done since it has
actually been turned over to GAO.

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